

a step of separating the basal body from the crystal substrate or the crystal film.

Remarks

Initially filed were claims 1-30 of which claims 1, 15, 17, and 24 were independent. In the first election response, the applicant elected claims 1-16 and divided out claims 17-30. Now claim 6 is being further divided out as a nonelected species; provided that no generic claim is found allowable. The applicant reserves the right to reintroduce claim 6 if a generic claim is found allowable. Claims 17-30 remaining divided out.

Conclusion

The applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejections and believes that the claims as presented represent allowable subject matter. But if the Examiner desires, the applicant is ready for a telephone interview to expedite prosecution. As always, the Examiner is free to call the undersigned at 312-876-2622. The Examiner's attention is also drawn to the new correspondence address.

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